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1. Transmittal – Preliminary Amendment
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

TRANSMITTAL - PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attached hereto is a Preliminary Amendment. Although there should be no fees associated with this document the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any processing fees associated with this document, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 16-1852. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Entry of the following Preliminary Amendment prior to substantive examination is respectfully requested.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification to remove reference to DNA sequence deposits as follows:

NE On page 4, lines 13-18 should be replaced with the following:

nucleotide sequences encoding the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2.

Further provided are polypeptides having an amino acid sequence encoded by a nucleic